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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 July 2007.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

1. Claims 11-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 11-20 recite a computer program product comprising of program instructions. The specification fails to provide any definition or hardware implementation of the "product" as recited, thus the "product" that comprises program instructions is being broadly interpreted as software per se.

NOTE: Applicant's amendment fails to overcome the 35 USC 101 as set forth above.

Double Patenting

The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection is appropriate where the conflicting claims are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement.

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Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

2. Claims 1-28 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-39 of U.S. Patent No. 6,690,396. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because the broaden scope of claims 1-28 are read-on by the patented claims.

NOTE: Applicant's request that the Double patenting to be held in abeyance is noted.

The rejection is therefore still pending.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

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3. Claims 1-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by US patent 6,760,884 (Vertelney et al).

- As for claims 1, 11, 21. Vertelney et al (hereinafter Vertelney) teach a computer system having a processor, a scanner coupled to the processor, and a memory coupled to the processor (fig 1B), and corresponding method and program instructions for producing a web page (2:37-41), comprising the means/steps of: receiving an image, said image being produced through optical scanning of a medium, said medium being manipulated by a user (2:11-17, 2:37-46, 3:7-10); identifying at least one representation of at least one user interface element included in the image (2:18-23, 2:49-51); and formatting the web page to include at least one user interface corresponding to the identified representations of the at least one user interface element (2:37-41).
- As for claims 2, 12, 22: The at least one user interface element includes at least one of a label, text box, scroll bar, button, group box, slider control, link and predefined element (2:18-23).
- As for claims 3, 13, 23. The at least one representation of the at least one user interface element is identified by at least one of color, shape, texture, size, border style and optical indicia (2:28-30, 2:49-54).
- As for claims 4, 14, 24. The at least one representation of the at least one user interface element includes an object capable of being positioned on the medium wherein the object is capable of being identified so as to correspond to the user interface element so that when the object is scanned, the web page may be formatted

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to include the user interface element corresponding to the identified representation of the user interface element (2:14-17, 2:49-54).

- As for claims 5, 15: Vertelney teaches the method as described in claim 1, further comprising prompting a user to enter additional data related to the at least one user interface element (2:18-23, 3:40-42).
- As for claims 6, 16: The additional information is entered by at least one of scanning, typing and data download (2:18-23, 3:40-42).
- As for claims 7, 17, 25. The medium is a tangible medium (2:5-17).
- As for claims 8, 18, 26: The medium is a tangible medium selected from a group consisting of paper, plastic sheets, and a magnetic medium (2:5-17).
- As for claims 9, 19, 27: The at least one representation of the at least one user interface element is associated with an object capable of being positioned on the medium (2:8-16, 7:50-52, 16:59-63).
- As for claims 10, 20, 28: The object is a tangible object selected from a group consisting of a sticker, a magnetic object, and a removable plastic object which is subject to electrostatic forces (2:8-16, 7:50-52, 16:59-63).

Response to Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments filed 7/6/07 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

REMARKS:

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In response to argument that Vertelney does not teach the scanned user interface element, the limitation is disclosed by Vertelney in 2:41-51, 7:11-14, wherein the displayed photographs and photo identifiers are user interface element. This interpretation is consistent with the applicant's definition of user interface element on page 13, par. 36.

Conclusion

5. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ba Huynh whose telephone number is (571) 272-4138. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Fri.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Weilun Lo can be reached on 571-272-4847. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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